Quiz 18 – Chapter 12 – The Criminal Justice System  
  
1. Which of the following states has the highest incarceration rate (number of prisoners per 100,000 residents)?​

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|  | a. | ​California |
|  | b. | ​Florida |
|  | c. | ​New York |
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2. Which of the following is true of prisons run by the TDCJ?​

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|  | a. | ​A lack of air-conditioning has led to prisoner deaths. |
|  | b. | ​Comfortable facilities and good food lead to many repeat offenders who want a place to stay. |
|  | c. | ​Corrections officers are always qualified, and properly screened and trained. |
|  | d. | ​Gang activity in the prison system has been largely eliminated. |

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3. *Administrative segregation* is another term for​

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|  | a. | ​solitary confinement. |
|  | b. | ​separating prisoners based on race. |
|  | c. | ​keeping prison administrators separated from inmates. |
|  | d. | ​dividing prisoners based on severity of crime. |

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4. According to statistics compiled by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, two characteristics shared by inmates in state prisons are

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|  | a. | illiteracy and mental retardation. |
|  | b. | poor education levels and substance abuse. |
|  | c. | mental retardation and having been abused as a child. |
|  | d. | having been abused as a child and illiteracy. |

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5. When a prisoner re-offends after being released from confinement for a prior offense, it is called​

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|  | a. | ​chronic offenders. |
|  | b. | ​recidivism. |
|  | c. | ​re-incarceration effect. |
|  | d. | ​criminal re-offense. |

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6. Females make up about \_\_\_\_\_ of the prison population in Texas.​

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|  | a. | ​2 percent |
|  | b. | ​8 percent |
|  | c. | ​15 percent |
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7. The two agencies responsible for convicts who serve all or part of their sentence in the community rather than in prison are​

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|  | a. | ​Community Justice Assistance Division and Parole Division. |
|  | b. | ​Department of Public Safety and Probation Office. |
|  | c. | ​Department of Criminal Justice and Department of Jail Standards. |
|  | d. | ​Health and Human Services and Prisoners’ Reentry Office. |

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8. A common barrier to successfully reintegrating prisoners back into society after their release is

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|  | a. | ​their reluctance to leave prison. |
|  | b. | ​difficulty finding employment. |
|  | c. | ​legal bans on ex-convicts obtaining a higher education. |
|  | d. | ​constant police harassment. |

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9. Which is true of county jails in Texas?

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|  | a. | All have been privatized, leaving no public county jails. |
|  | b. | They are designed to house felons serving long sentences. |
|  | c. | They are all of exceptionally high quality. |
|  | d. | Most of them do not offer rehabilitation programs. |

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10. Which of the following has oversight responsibility for county jails?

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|  | a. | Texas Department of Public Safety |
|  | b. | Texas Commission on Jail Standards |
|  | c. | County Commissioners Court |
|  | d. | Texas Rangers |

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11. Texas Crime Victim’s Compensation Fund provides money to victims and their families for​ all of the following, *except*

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|  | a. | counseling. |
|  | b. | ​medical costs. |
|  | c. | ​burial services. |
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12. What percentage of Texas inmates are housed in private prisons?​

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|  | a. | ​Two percent |
|  | b. | Five percent |
|  | c. | ​Seven percent |
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13. Which of the following is *not* true of juvenile justice in Texas?

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|  | a. | Each county has a juvenile probation board, juvenile probation officer, and juvenile probation department. |
|  | b. | Texas has a preference for sending juveniles far away from home to correctional facilities. |
|  | c. | Juvenile detention facilities have seen an increase in violence in recent years. |
|  | d. | Counseling and probation are the most commonly used procedures for dealing with juvenile offenders. |

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14. Juvenile courts are considered \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ rather than criminal courts.

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|  | a. | felony courts |
|  | b. | punitive courts |
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15. The term *adjudication hearing* refers to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in juvenile law.

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|  | a. | a grand jury indictment |
|  | b. | a trial |
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16. Which of the following is *not* a common problem facing Texas prisons?​

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|  | a. | Excessive spending on education for prisoners |
|  | b. | ​Overcrowding |
|  | c. | ​Mental illness |
|  | d. | ​Misconduct by district attorneys |

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17. Which scientific development has shown that some persons sentenced to death actually did not commit the crime?

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|  | a. | DNA testing |
|  | b. | Fingerprint analysis |
|  | c. | Hair-strand analysis |
|  | d. | Electro-encephalography |

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18. Among the ways that some Texas prisoners may legally communicate with the outside world are​

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|  | a. | social media websites. |
|  | b. | ​cell phones. |
|  | c. | prison-based ​public access television channels. |
|  | d. | ​paying guards to deliver personal messages. |

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19. Rules and procedures in criminal cases in Texas must legally be grounded in the

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|  | a. | ​rules outlined in the Declaration of the Rights of Man. |
|  | b. | Fourteenth Amendment’s guarantee that no state can “deprive any person of life, liberty or property without due process of law.” |
|  | c. | ​United Nations charter on Human Rights. |
|  | d. | ​10 Commandments. |

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20. ​Between 1989 and 2014 there have been roughly \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ inmates exonerated across the nation after DNA analysis.

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